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12 November 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the Director
for Planning and Development

SUBJECT : Blow by Blow Reporting to SAC

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1. This memorandum reports the findings of [redacted] (Operations DPS/DCI), [redacted] (Security Office DPS/DCI), [redacted] (OCI), and the undersigned with representatives of NSA on 12 November on the above subject. It purports to be the information critical to a decision on whether blow by blow reporting on CHALICE missions in either the European or Far Eastern theatres is feasible and tolerable in terms of security and communications.

2. Upon receipt of an alert by the 6901st or 6902nd, the commanders indicate to field units instructions involving alert and if necessary redeployment of assets in order to collect maximum Soviet reaction. No new instruction in these regards would be required if a blow by blow reporting were authorized.

3. Under present instructions blow by blow reporting from field units to the headquarters (6901st or 6902nd) is held by the headquarters, screened and transmitted within twenty-four hours in a sanitized form (no identification with the Agency, with the nature of the mission, or with the premission alert) through normal COMINT channels with an exclusive addressee to the authorized receiving unit (Project Headquarters, USAFE, PACAF, and SAC Omaha). The exclusive addressee is a TALENT-cleared officer in a TALENT center at each establishment.

4. Under the terms of the foregoing instruction, blow by blow reporting to Headquarters SAC could be accomplished with no additional personnel involved except four or five communications' supervisors to take care of all shifts. Transmission time for each blow by blow report would be up to thirty minutes.

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5. The establishment of blow by blow reporting would not alter the present INCOG system of transmitting the alert to the 6901st or 6902nd.

6. Most rapid transmission of the DMR and blow by blow reporting if approved should be from NSA direct to SAC.

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3-NSA 

4-Ops DPS/DCI

5-SO DPS/DCI

6-OCI

7-Dir PIC and Ch DMD/PIC

8-CIA TSO 30 OCT 1961

9-PS/DCI subj file *destroyed*

10-PS/DCI chrono *Sacordon*

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